

A collage of military images. In the top left, a tank is visible. In the middle left, a Humvee is driving on a dirt road. In the bottom left, a soldier in camouflage is aiming a rifle. In the top center, two parachutes are falling from the sky. The background is a mix of blue and green gradients.

**Protect the Force through**

**RISK MANAGEMENT**

**Leaders Save Lives**

# America's Sons & Daughters

**American People Trust Us By Giving  
Us Their Sons and Daughters:**

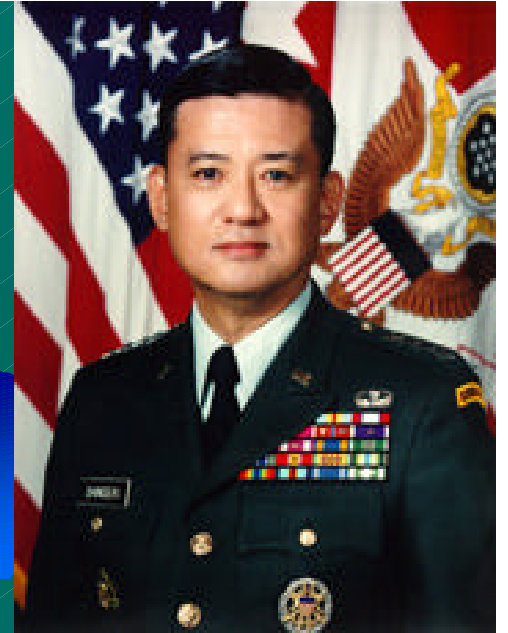


**We Must Be True to That Trust!**



# Chief of Staff of the Army:

*"Step Up to the Plate"*



- It's the invincibility of youth that makes our Army great, but these are the same soldiers who are strapping on our weapon systems and vehicles.
- It's a long way from the front office to the cab of a vehicle.
- Our challenge is to get the safety program to the soldier behind the wheel.



# Purpose

- To familiarize all Army soldiers and civilian employees with Risk Management
- To provide soldiers and civilians information to help them apply Risk Management in everything that we do.





# Battle & Non-Battle Casualties

Rate\* per 1,000 soldiers and percent

<i>Army</i>	<i>W.W.II 1942-45</i>	<i>Korea 1950-53</i>	<i>Vietnam 1965-72</i>	<i>DS/S 1990-91</i>	<i>NTC FY93 (BLUFOR-GROUND)</i>
<b>Accident</b>	<b>95.57 56%</b>	<b>120.33 44%</b>	<b>154.66 54%</b>	<b>11.14 75%</b>	<b>2.23 3%</b>
<b>Friendly Fire</b>	<b>1.50*** 1%</b>	<b>3.03*** 1%</b>	<b>2.67*** 1%</b>	<b>.68 5%</b>	<b>7.87**** 9%</b>
<b>Enemy Action</b>	<b>73.61 43%</b>	<b>148.56 55%</b>	<b>131.20 45%</b>	<b>2.90 20%</b>	<b>74.17**** 88%</b>

\* Per 12 months for W.W.II, Korea and Vietnam; 14 months for DS/S; per rotation NTC.

\*\* Deaths and injuries (ground and aviation) for entire war/operation.

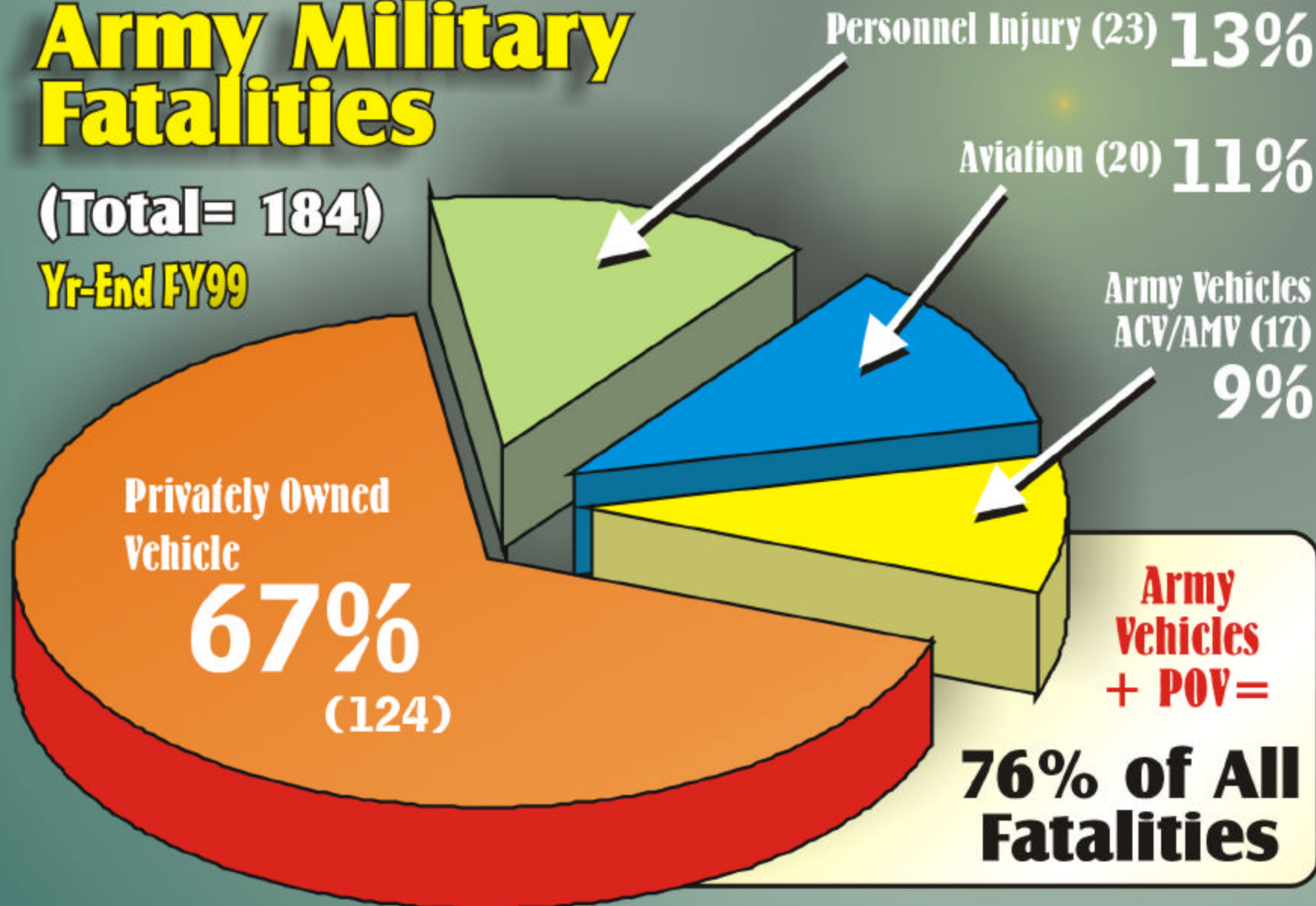
\*\*\* Research based estimate (2% of all direct- and indirect- fire losses).

\*\*\*\* Simulated (MILES) direct fire vehicle kills.

# Army Military Fatalities

(Total= 184)

Yr-End FY99





A photograph of a person lying on their back on the ground, behind a strand of barbed wire. The person's arms are raised, and they appear to be struggling or trapped. The background is a blurred outdoor setting with trees and foliage. The overall tone is somber and urgent.

# Agenda

## ■ Risk Management (RM):

- What It Is
- How It Is Done
- References For Doing It



# Policy & Doctrine

## ■ FM 100-14, RISK MANAGEMENT, APRIL 1998

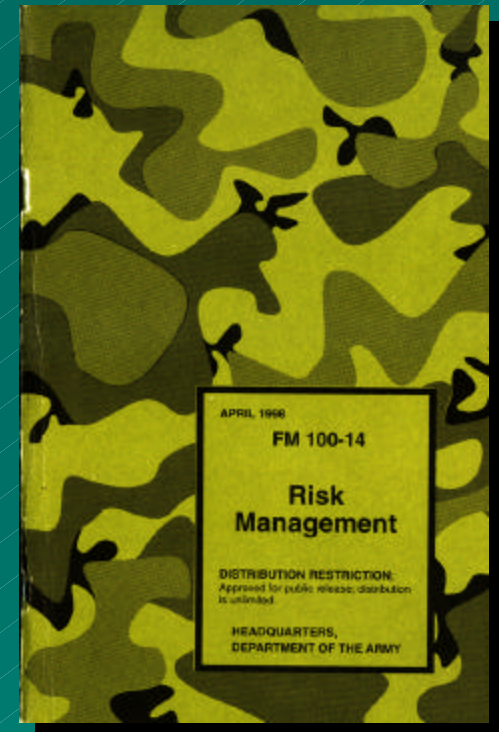
- Basic doctrinal document on risk management
- Applies to all army activities, both army and civilian

## ■ FM 101-5, STAFF ORGANIZATION & OPERATIONS, MAY 1997

- Application of risk management during MDMP
- Specific staff responsibilities relating to risk management

## ■ AR 385-10, ARMY SAFETY PROGRAM

- Policy on army safety management procedures
- Information on commanders' responsibilities
- Change 1 to AR 385-10 includes guidance for:  
“supervisory and operating personnel who direct or affect the actions of others will use the risk management process during the planning, preparation for, and execution of all operations for which they are responsible.”

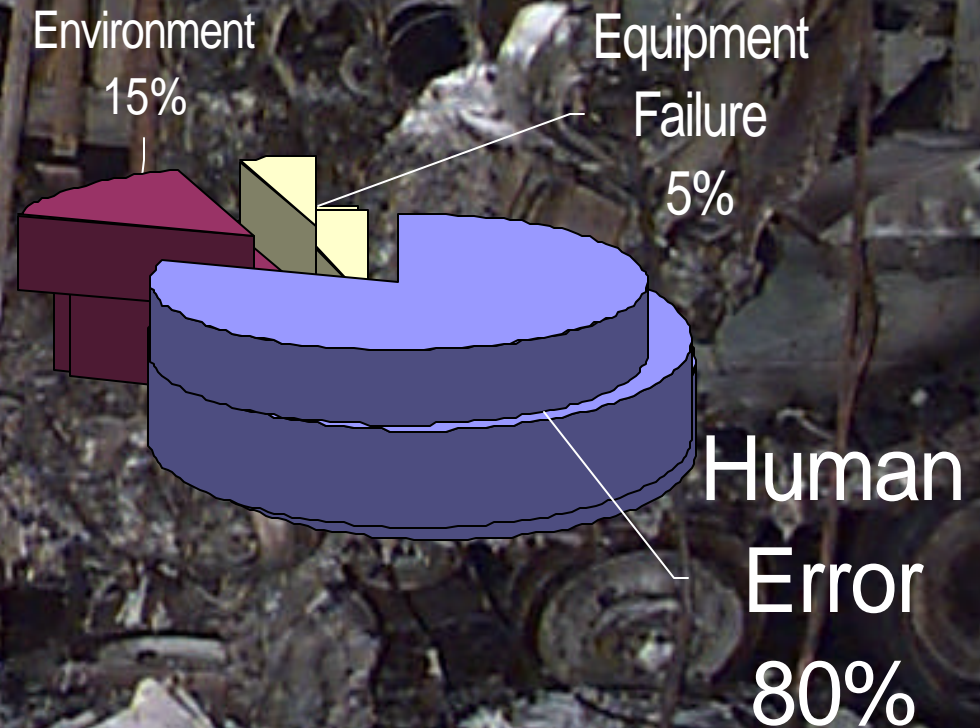


# What Causes Accidents?



## Accident Cause Factors

- ENVIRONMENT
- EQUIPMENT
- Surface/space
- Failure
- Humination
- Wheeled (brakes,
- Temperature
- Tires)
- Ladder Failure
- Precipitation
- Tracked machines,
- Wacks)
- Turbulence
- Support Failure
- Maintenance
- Other?
- Animals

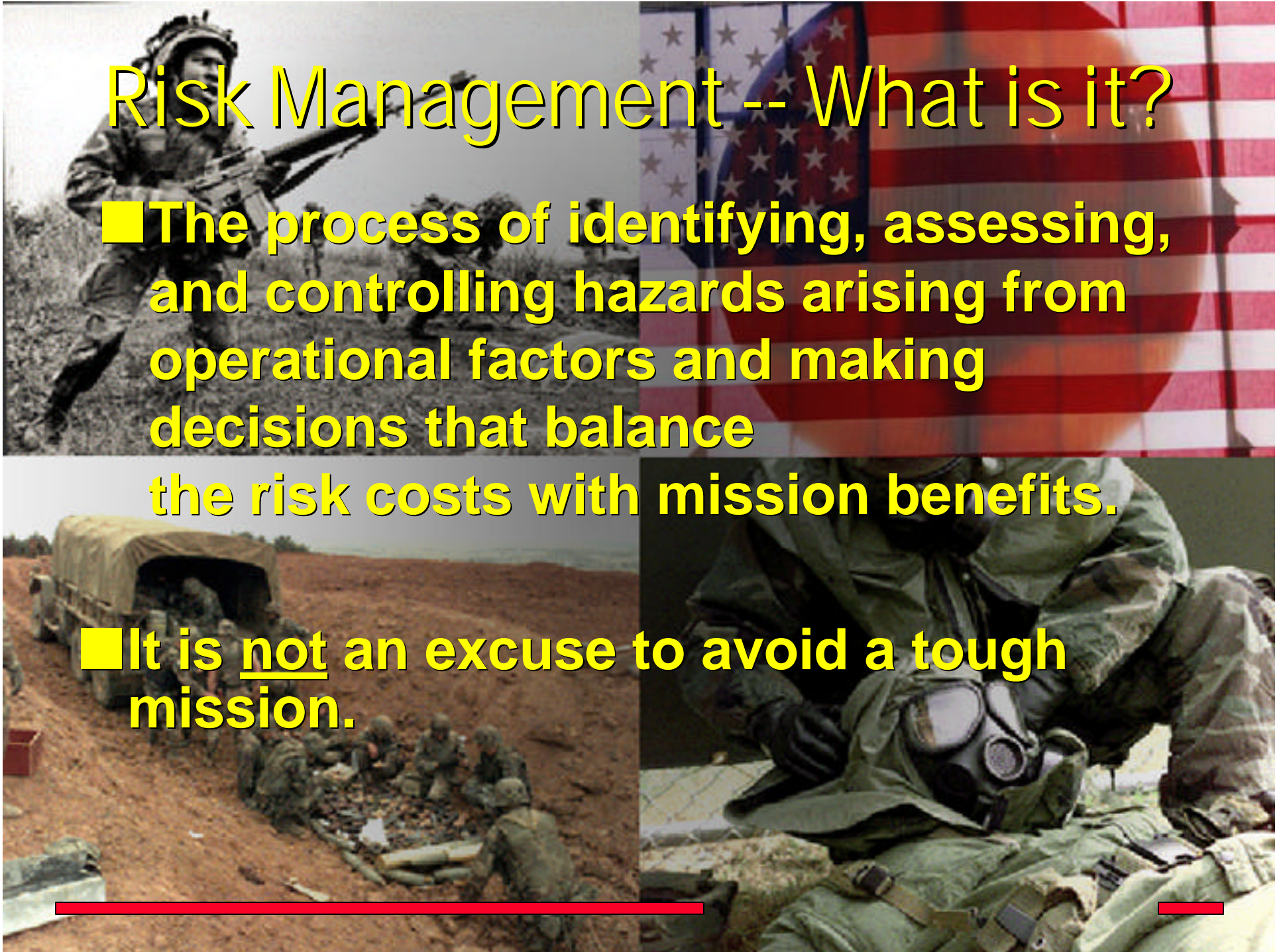




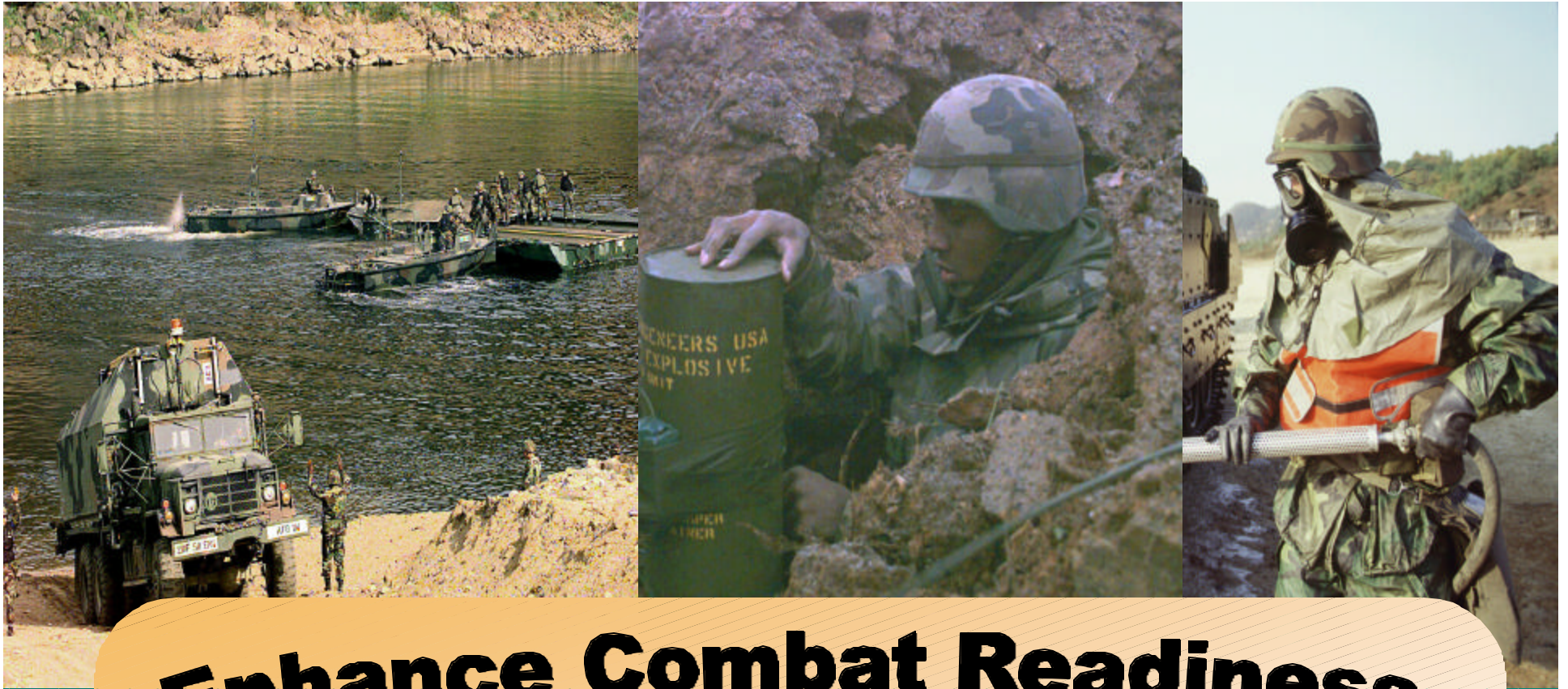
# Risk Management -- What is it?

■ The process of identifying, assessing, and controlling hazards arising from operational factors and making decisions that balance the risk costs with mission benefits.

■ It is not an excuse to avoid a tough mission.







**Enhance Combat Readiness  
Through Proactive Risk Management  
For Accident Prevention**

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# Risk Management Process



# Step 1: Identify Hazards

## *Risk Management Process*



- **Identify Hazards**  
The objective is to identify those hazards most likely to result in loss of combat power and to protect the force



# Terminology

- ***Hazard*** - any actual or potential condition that can cause injury, illness, or death of personnel, damage to or loss of equipment, property or mission degradation.



# While You Are Doing This



## Troop Leading Procedures

- Receive The Mission
- Issue The Warning Order
- Make A Tentative Plan

*DO THIS*



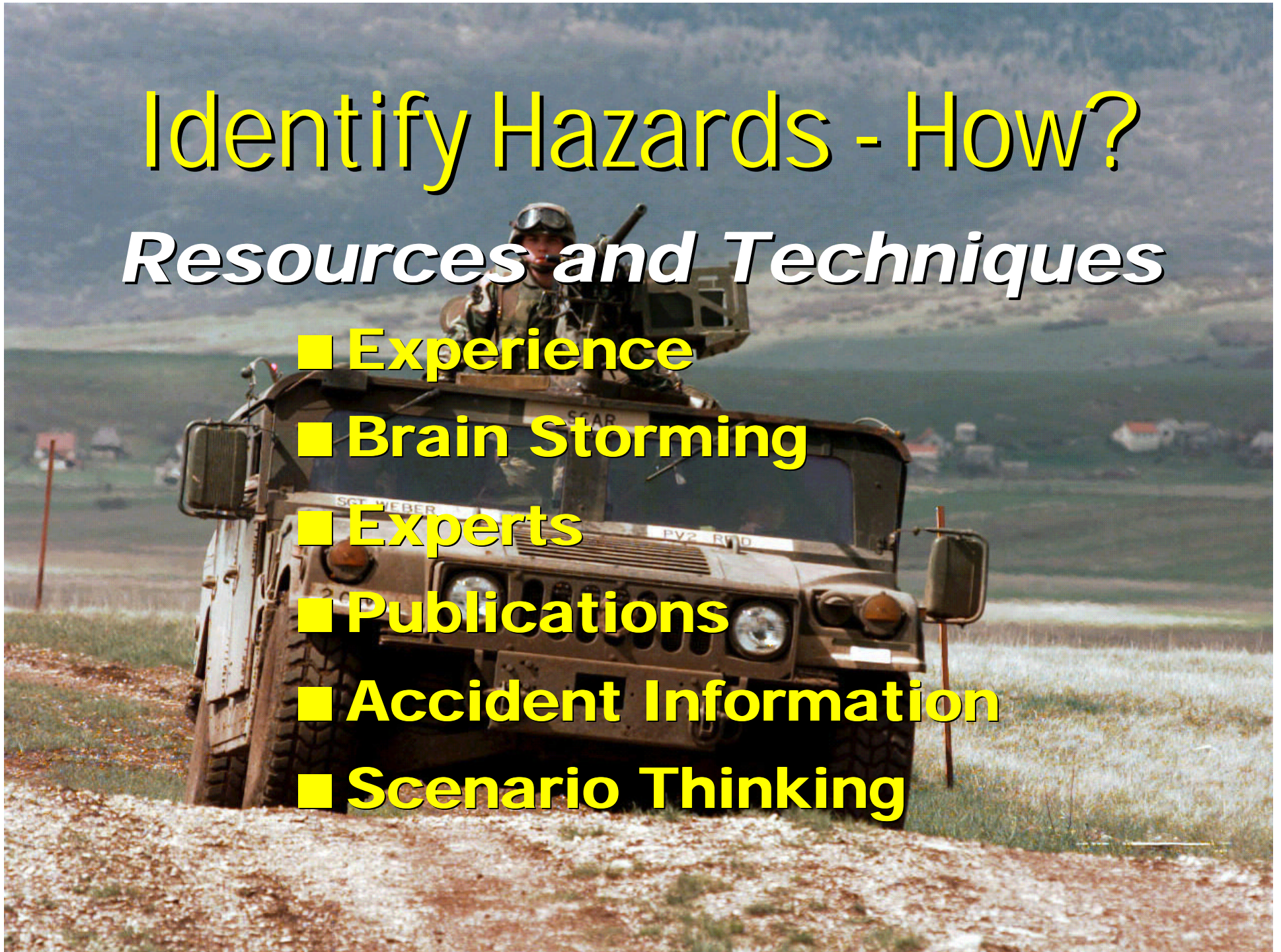
# IDENTIFY HAZARDS



# Identify Hazards - How?

## *Resources and Techniques*

- Experience
- Brain Storming
- Experts
- Publications
- Accident Information
- Scenario Thinking





# Tool: METT-T Model

## Example

Mission- Specified, implied and subtasks.

Enemy - Size and capability (SALUTE).

Terrain/Weather - Environmental conditions.

Troops and Equipment -

- Troops - training, type, number, and physical condition.
- Equipment - amount, type, design, and condition.

Time available - plan, rehearse, and conduct .

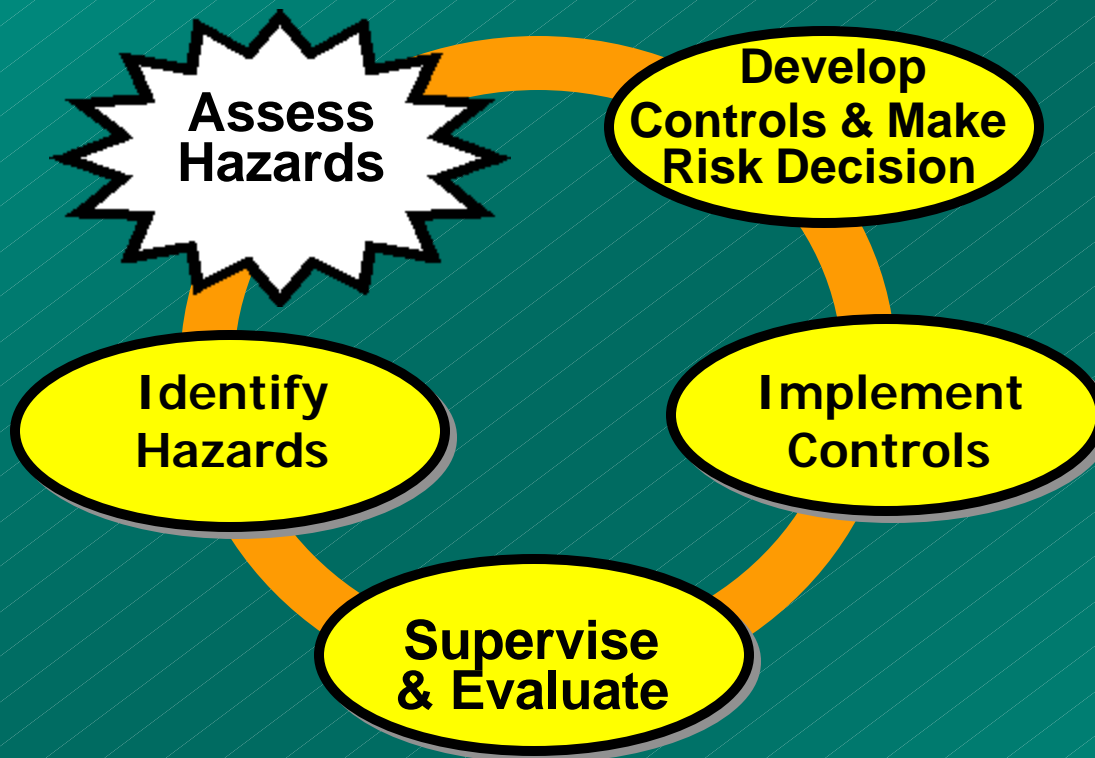
# Practical Exercise





# Step 2: Assess Hazards

## *Risk Management Process*



### ■ Assess Hazards

Assess hazards to determine risks.

Assess the impact of each hazard in terms of potential loss and cost, based on probability and severity

# Assess Hazards - How?

- Historical Data
- Intuitive Analysis
- Judgment
- Tool



# Assessment Tool

## ***RISK ASSESSMENT MATRIX***

E - EXTREMELY HIGH RISK  
H - HIGH RISK  
M - MODERATE RISK  
L - LOW RISK

### **PROBABILITY**

		FREQUENT	LIKELY	OCCASIONAL	SELDOM	UNLIKELY
<b>S E V E R I T Y</b>	CATASTROPHIC	<b>E</b>	<b>E</b>	<b>H</b>	<b>H</b>	<b>M</b>
	CRITICAL	<b>E</b>	<b>H</b>	<b>H</b>	<b>M</b>	<b>L</b>
	MARGINAL	<b>H</b>	<b>M</b>	<b>M</b>	<b>L</b>	<b>L</b>
	NEGLIGIBLE	<b>M</b>	<b>L</b>	<b>L</b>	<b>L</b>	<b>L</b>

# Terminology

■ ***Risk Assessment*** - The Identification and Assessment of Hazards  
(*First Two Steps of the Risk Management Process*)





**An Accident Sequence  
Begins Days, &  
Sometimes  
Months Before  
the Impact  
or Crash**



**To Break this Chain of Events  
YOU Must Understand & Apply the  
Entire Risk Management Process**



# What are the Risks to the Force?

- Accidental Deaths and Injuries
- Civil and Criminal Liabilities
- Loss of Command Trust and Confidence
- Loss & Theft of Material & Funds
- OPSEC & Passive Security Violations
- Fratricide
- Diseases/Illnesses
- The Threat



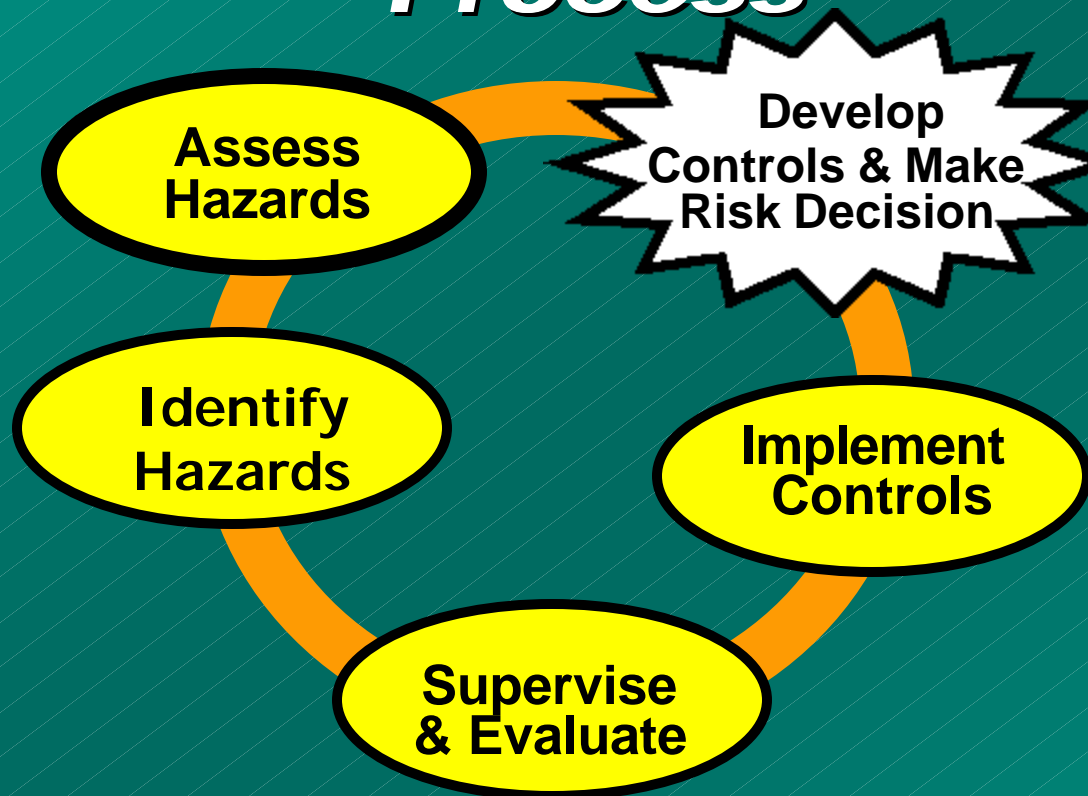


# Practical Exercise



# Step 3: Develop Controls & Make Decision

## ***Risk Management Process***



### ■ ***Develop Controls and Make Risk Decisions***

Develop control measures that eliminate the hazard or reduce its risk to an acceptable level



# While You Are Doing This



## Troop Leading Procedures

- Comparing Courses of Action
- Making Decision
- Expanding Selected COA Into a Tentative Plan

**DO THIS**

**DEVELOP CONTROLS AND MAKE RISK DECISIONS**

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# Tool

## Example

### Are the controls adequate?

Adequate  
YES NO

-Support - Is type/amount/capability/condition of support adequate to carry out the mission? - Personnel -Logistics - Intelligence		
- Standards - Is guidance/procedure adequately clear/practical/specific to the mission?		
- Training - Is training recent and to standard?		
- Leader - Are leaders ready, willing and able to enforce standards.		
- Individual/Unit - Is the soldier/unit prepared and rested sufficiently to perform the mission?		



# Who Does the Assessment?

**Everyone has a responsibility for assessment!**

■ **Individual accountability**

**AND**

■ **Organization accountability**

**Staff Principals under the supervision of the XO/DCDR**

**Key Leaders under the supervision of the higher echelon commander**





# Practical Exercise





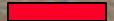
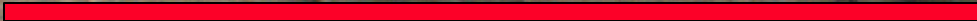
# Make Risk Decisions

***Determine anticipated residual risk for each hazard as if the control is in place***

- Should never be higher than the initial risk

***Determine the overall mission risk level***

- Should not be lower than the highest residual risk
- Based on command guidance or SOP

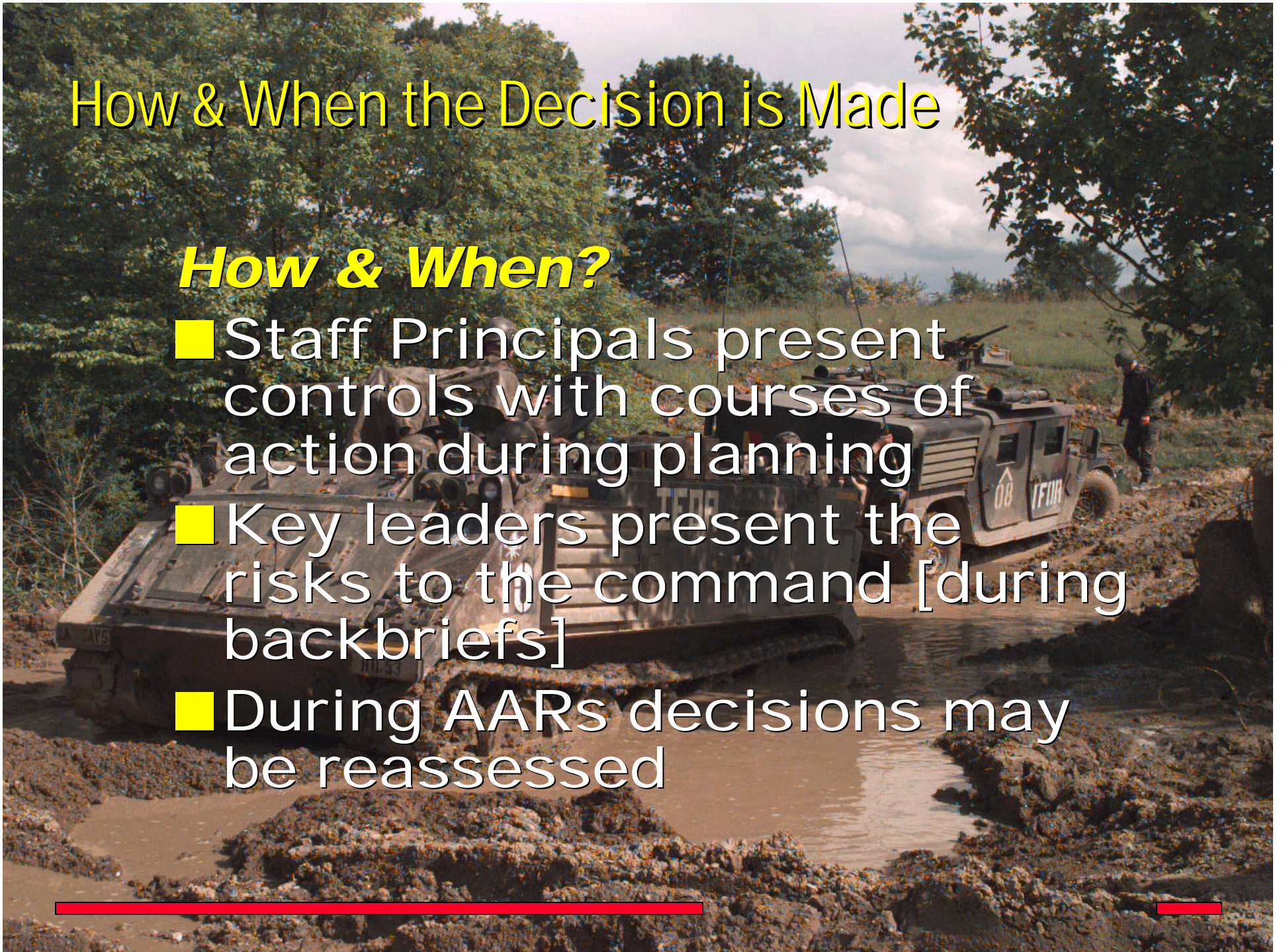




# How & When the Decision is Made

## *How & When?*

- Staff Principals present controls with courses of action during planning
- Key leaders present the risks to the command [during backbriefs]
- During AARs decisions may be reassessed





# Make Risk Decisions - A Recap



- Make an informed risk decision at the *appropriate level* of command.
- Accept risks only if the *benefits* outweigh the costs or losses.
- If the risk is too high, elevate to next decision level.

# Step 4: Implement Controls

## ***Risk Management Process***



### ■ **Implement Controls**

Put controls in place that eliminate the hazards or reduce their risks



# Implementation Methods

- Regulations, Policy Letters, & SOP'S
- Orders
- Briefings & Back-Briefs
- Training
- Rehearsals



# PRACTICAL EXERCISE





# Step 5: Supervise & Evaluate

## ***Risk Management Process***



### ■ ***Supervise & Evaluate***

Perform to, and enforce standards and controls. Evaluate the effectiveness of controls and adjust/ update as necessary

# Supervise



**Leaders, Supervisors, and  
Individuals are Responsible  
for Ensuring Standards and  
Controls are Followed and  
Enforced**

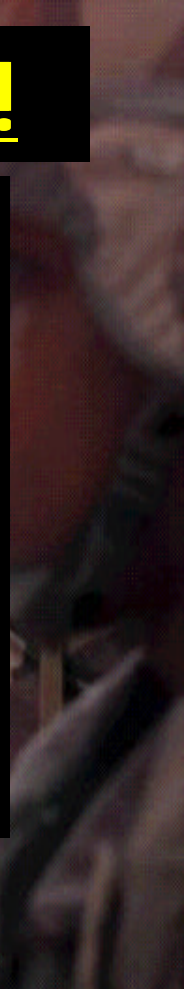


# Evaluate

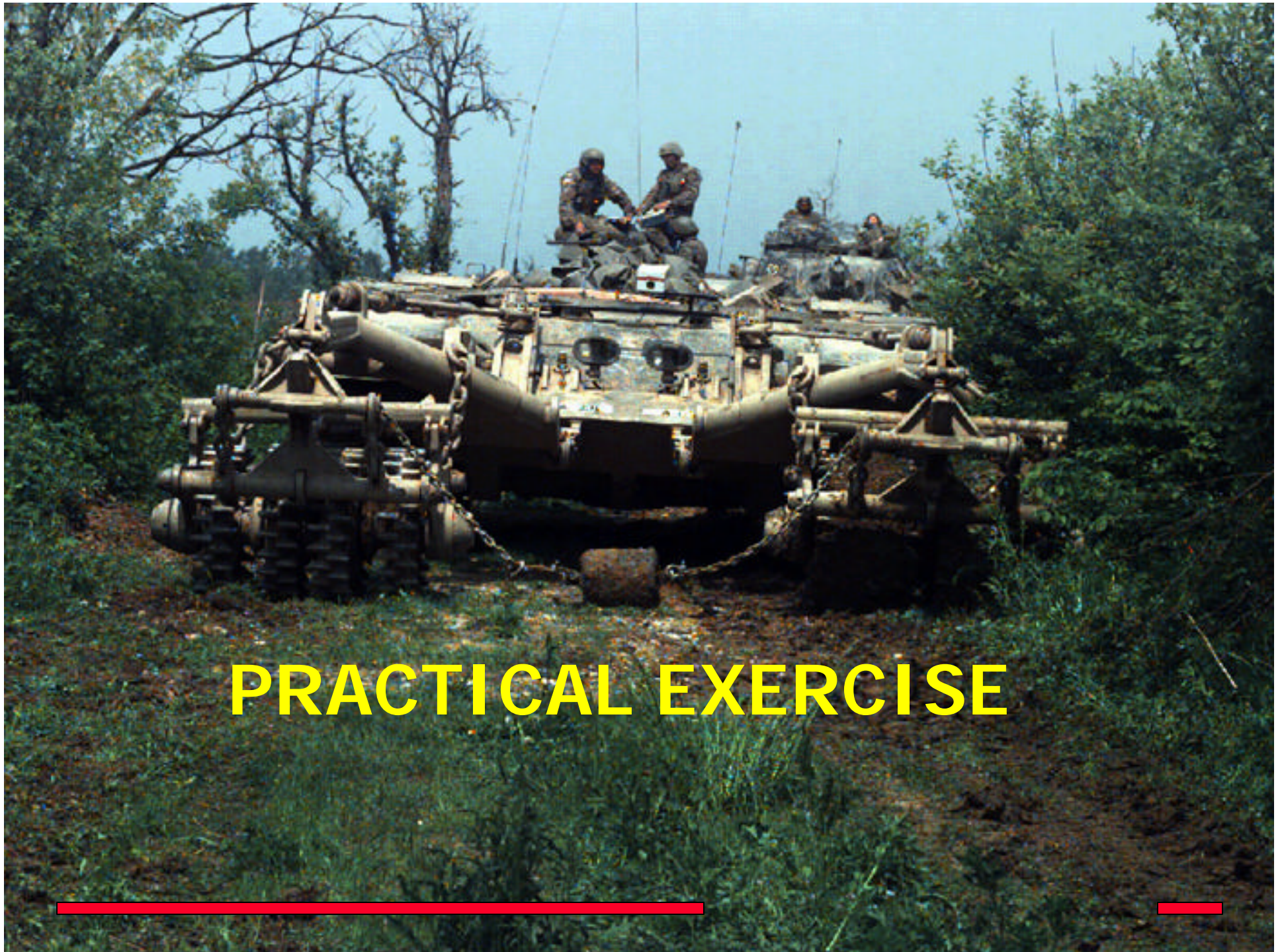
## Evaluation Is Everyone's Responsibility!

**Evaluation is:**

- Conducted during the execution phase of an operation
- Conducted formally after the operation. Should be considered as mission planning for the next iteration of that task or mission









# Risk Management Process - A Recap



# RISK MANAGEMENT STANDARD

- The standard for RM is “making an informed decision at the appropriate level.”
- The challenge to leadership is to ensure everyone involved in the RM process understands the standard and what must happen in order to achieve the standard.



# Commander's Focus

- We will seek optimum, not adequate performance
- We will select risk reduction options provided by my staff and seek guidance from higher
- We will accept or reject residual risk based on the benefit to be derived
- We will train and motivate leaders at all levels to use Risk Management

# Staff Mission

- Assist the commander in assessing risk and developing controls
- Integrate control measures in plans and orders. Validate during AARs.
- Eliminate unnecessary safety restrictions that diminish training opportunities.
- Supervise implementation - adjust controls based on METT-T.



# Mission of Troop Leaders

- Develop a total commitment to mission accomplishment and the welfare of the soldiers.
- Consistently apply effective risk management of operations they lead.
- Report risk issues beyond their control to their superiors for resolution.
- Develop mission oriented controls.

# Tools & References

## ■ Army Safety Home Page

(<http://safety.army.mil>)

- Army Safety Program
- Army Statistics
- RM Tools

## ■ Risk Management Information System

(<http://rmis.army.mil>)

- Hazards by System
- Accident Overviews
- Database Information
- Messages

## ■ Help Desk ([Helpdesk@safety.emh1.army.mil](mailto:Helpdesk@safety.emh1.army.mil))

- (334) 255-1390 or DSN 558-1390





Note: This site is under development. Accident data provided is test data for demonstration purposes only.  
DO NOT USE as official Army accident statistics.



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to*

# RMIS

## RISK MANAGEMENT INFORMATION SYSTEM

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Password:

Login

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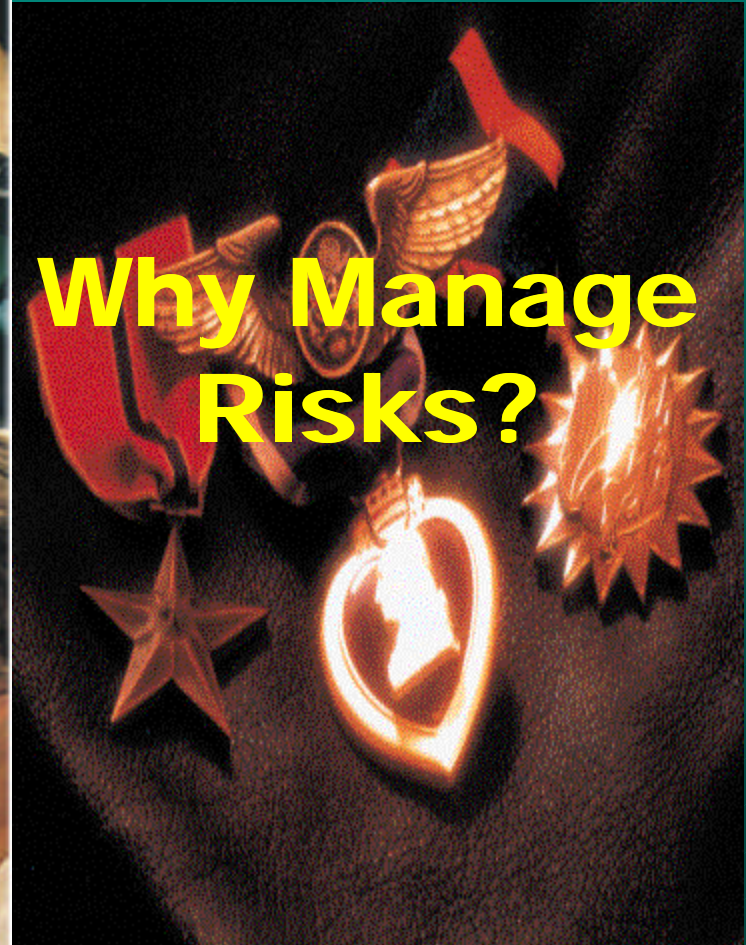
*Army Safety Program*

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# Commander's Intent



**Why Manage  
Risks?**







**We** SHOULD ALL BEAR ONE THING IN MIND WHEN WE TALK ABOUT A TROOP WHO 'RODE ONE IN.'

**HE CALLED UPON THE SUM OF ALL HIS KNOWLEDGE AND MADE A JUDGMENT. HE BELIEVED IN IT SO STRONGLY THAT HE KNOWINGLY BET HIS LIFE ON IT.**

**THAT HE WAS MISTAKEN IN HIS JUDGMENT IS A TRAGEDY, NOT STUPIDITY.**

**EVERY SUPERVISOR AND CONTEMPORARY WHO EVER SPOKE TO HIM HAD AN OPPORTUNITY TO INFLUENCE HIS JUDGMENT, SO A LITTLE BIT OF ALL OF US GOES IN WITH EVERY TROOP WE LOSE.**

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